

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1.
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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ANOTHER GOOD OPPORTUNITY

For Correction, Explanation and Instructions.

When People Are Misunderstood They Are Generally Misrepresented—This is not Strange.

In presenting this subject to our dear family of loved ones, it is not our desire or intention to appear strongly antagonistic, or unduly warlike; but rather in a gentle, humble, loving manner we want to counteract some false impressions that may have been made upon uninformed minds that might result in creating prejudice, if we should remain silent, against the very thing that might otherwise be a blessing to them.

In "The Apostolic Evangel" of July, 19, published at Falcon, N. C. appears an article from the pen of C. F. Noble which is a direct attack against the Church of God and the Church of God Evangel. This article is entitled, "Take Warning."

When this was first brought to our attention by a friend, I thought of remaining silent about it because it seemed to be such a light stroke that it would only help us to grow and prosper in the things of God, rather than cripple or destroy. But as other friends continued to take an interest in it, and they thought it would be to the glory of God and the good of souls, I have consented to offer a few words of reply.

After reviewing the matter carefully I conclude this is another good opportunity to show kindness and good will, as well as for correction, explanation and instruction.

I feel sure that the good brother meant no harm in sending forth this note of warning to his fellow laborers, and I feel just as much assured that the worthy editor meant no harm in giving it space in his valuable publication. We do not look upon these brothers as our enemies. We would much rather look upon them as our friends, and co-workers in the Lord's great harvest field.

I am sure these brethren cannot object to a little friendly counsel, and correction if they have made a mistake,

which I do not say they have. There was a time when Joseph's brethren decided they had made a serious mistake, and done a wicked deed, in selling Joseph to the Midianites, but Joseph assured his brethren that it was according to the Lord's orders and that He meant it for good.

We acknowledge that we fill a place in the religious world that no other paper or people occupies. This being the case, it is not unlikely that we will often be misunderstood. And when people are misunderstood they are generally misrepresented. Of course this is not strange. Nine and a half tribes of Israel once mobilized their forces and marched against the other two and one half tribes with the intention of making war with them, but when the truth was known the ten and a half tribes had only misunderstood the maneuverings and operations of their brethren. So when the full explanation was made the war was averted and the warriors went back home and put off their militarism and settled down and attended to their domestic duties.

We now wish to call attention to the above mentioned article. The writer commences by sending "Greetings to you all in Jesus' name." Then he follows by saying, "I feel especially impressed to warn the Pentecostal holiness people of the doctrine called 'the Church of God.'" Please read, he says, 2 Peter 2:1,2. And this is good for all of us to read so we give it just like he has it. "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways, by reason of

whom the way (of truth) shall be evil spoken of."

It is plain to see that the writer means to apply these verses to the Church of God. He means that her ministers are the false prophets and false teachers that have slipped in among the "pentecostal holiness" people and are privily bringing in the damnable heresies among their people. Now, if I understand the meaning of the word "privily" it is "privately; secretly." Any one who is acquainted with the Church of God ministers and workers will see at once that the dear man has missed his mark at the very outset, for there are no people on earth that are any more averse to secrecy, or more open or bold about their teaching and actions than those who represent the Church of God.

And as to denying the Lord, I challenge him and all of his colleagues to show us wherein we are denying the Lord and we will repent and ask the Lord to forgive us and try not to do so again. They allow the teaching of repentance, sanctification, the baptism of the Holy Ghost evidenced by speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. They allow the teaching of water baptism, any mode, the Lord's supper, and feet washing, if you want to. They allow the teaching of divine healing, the coming of Christ and the resurrection. If we are guilty of denying the Lord on these points then they are too. We teach the nine gifts of the Spirit, the seven graces, and the nine fruits of the Spirit. We teach the signs that Jesus said would follow believers, viz Casting out devils, speaking with new tongues, taking up serpents, "and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them," laying hands on the sick. In fact we teach it all just as Jesus gave it, and we do not intentionally mean to leave any part of it out nor add anything to it.

The next point I wish to notice is, that, by using these verses he declares we are bringing on ourselves swift destruction. "Swift" means "rapid, quick." Then if we are going to destroy ourselves so quickly it does not seem that they need to be afraid of us, for we will soon be

gone and out of their way. But if we are in such error as the writer describes, and in such danger too, it seems to me that he ought to pity us and try to get his people to lend a helping hand instead of condemning us and warning his people against us. To my mind, if there is any body on earth that needs a bouquet of flowers it is the person that is lost and soon to drop into hell, for the only time of comfort and pleasure he will ever have is the few short moments he remains here on earth.

By the use of this Scripture we are accused by the writer of having "pernicious ways." The definition of "pernicious" is, "destructive; tending to injure or destroy; having the quality of killing, destroying or injuring." Now I wish to appeal to the reason of all who may be interested in this matter. Do you call it destructive, injurious, or pernicious, for a few men to come to your town, pitch a tent and seat it well, and sing and preach the gospel till a score of drunkards are converted and ever afterward live good lives, fifty more that quit the filthy habit of using tobacco and use their money to buy food and clothing for their children? If such as this is pernicious, then we are guilty. People come to our meetings by the thousands. And thousands are converted, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Where is anything pernicious about that?

"And many shall follow." Well, the multitudes are following what the gentleman mentions as the "pernicious ways." It is true, they are coming to the Church of God. I have seen them come by the fifties and seventy-fives at a time in one service. And sometimes the next day as many more would come right in to this pernicious (?) way. Yes sir, good strong minded men and women. They come from the Methodists, and Baptists, Presbyterians, Fire baptized, Pentecostal Holiness, and many other such organizations.

Some of these organizations who are losing their members, and they are coming in to the Church of God (Friend Noble's pernicious way), try to console themselves by saying it is only those who are

worthless to them that leave them and fall in with us. Well if that be the case they should rejoice instead of growl. They ought to hold a special praise meeting to give thanks because there is a "dumping ground" for their worthless members. If they have so many worthless members it would pay them, it seems to me, to send for us to come to their town instead of sending out a warning against us.

But, no, no, that is little consolation. The fact of it is we have found the atmosphere that the Lord warms up with His presence and when the people feel it they like it and want to come into it, even if Mr. Noble does speak of it indirectly as a "pernicious way." Buddie Robinson's explanation is more truthful than many like to admit. It is said that while he was delivering a public discourse to a large congregation in Chattanooga he incidentally referred to the fact that so many of their "Holiness" folks were going into the "tongues movement." He was lamenting over the matter and speaking seriously and earnestly. Back in the congregation some one spoke out, "Let 'em go Buddie, it's only the trash any way." But the response came quickly from Buddie with even more earnestness and deep feeling, "No' no, brother, its the very best people we've got!" When the fact is known, it is the very best people that are falling into the Church of God. Brother Noble can call it the "pernicious ways" if he wishes, but I venture to say that a large number of his own people will disagree with him. God bless his dear heart, we must all pray for him. He needs our sympathy and help. He does not understand us or he surely would not have written this article.

But we must proceed. "I have been shown to write this," says Mr. Noble, "for many reasons. I wanted to give them credit for what they claimed, as they taught regeneration, sanctification, and the baptism of the Holy Spirit. But I have found that all who are tagged Pentecost are not Pentecost.

To be continued

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Harriman, Tenn.

Greetings to the Evangel Readers:

In answer to the request of some, that all may hear from me. I am writing this letter.

I am trusting in the Savior, who saved me from sin; the one who sanctified my heart, about eight years ago. I am glad that I received the Holy Ghost. And that I trust in the atoning blood of Jesus for healing my body. I don't take any medicine. Jesus is so precious to me. Oh! what a wonderful Savior He is.

The saints here have given me a hearty welcome. I am glad I ever met with them. They are few in number but strong in faith. We have Sunday School every Sunday morning. Brother Edd Goddard is teacher of the adult class. All are glad to have him for their teacher.

We have preaching services Sunday night and prayer meeting Thursday night.

We haven't had a protracted or revival meeting here this summer, we expect one to be held early in the fall. The Lord has wonderfully been blessing at this place, the past few weeks. The children have meeting at the church, Sunday afternoon. Also the young people meet at brother and sister Burn's Saturday nights where quite a few have been blest. Some have been saved lately. I think about ten have been saved inside the past three weeks, several sanctified and four or five received the baptism.

The report of the meeting given in last week's Evangel was a report of a meeting

held at Brown-town, a settlement a few miles from this town, and not a report of the Church of God here.

Lillie Staser.

Point, Texas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:

I am praising God for victory over sin. I praise Him for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost and for His healing power.

We have noholiness meetings here and I have written for a preacher to come. This gospel is needed here so badly. I want to be in a holiness meeting. Please pray that God will send a Holy Ghost preacher to this place. Also pray that I may be true to my Savior.

Your sister under the blood, Tenie Proctor.

Key West, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson— Greeting in Jesus' Dear Name:

I want to praise God for what He has done for me. He saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost, and that is worth praising God for. I don't see anything in this world for me to turn back to, but I can see good things ahead for me if I will go all the way with my Savior and that is my intention. I have some hard trials and temptations to overcome but praise God, He gives me power to overcome them all.

I want all the saints to pray for me that I will be true to God until He comes and calls me home, and pray for my wife that she will give up this world and get back to the Lord where she once was.

Your brother under the blood,

C. B. Simmons.

Turtletown, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints everywhere—Greetings to You in Jesus Precious Name:

I am glad that I can report victory through Jesus. Hallelujah!

A four-weeks' meeting just closed at Copperhill, conducted by brother and sister Elrod from Rome and our own beloved pastor, T. A. Richard. We had a good meeting. Several saved, about four sanctified and three received the Holy Ghost and talked in tongues. As all three were chronic seekers we feel that a great work was done. The church was built up and drawn together closer in love than it

has been in a long time for which we praise God.

The dear Lord gave us some wonderful messages and interpretations, encouraging us to go on and contend for the faith once delivered to the saints, and to seek for the gifts.

Glory they are coming and I don't believe the church will do much until we get them. So we are praying for God to give us wisdom and make us worthy, then I believe they will come.

We are now in a hot battle at Turtletown, Tenn. Brother and sister Elrod, my husband and myself. We feel that we have invaded the devil's territory and have to contend for every inch of ground. He is mad and is threatening us; rocked us in second service but we are going on. As this is the place where the devil got off so many delusions on the dear saints, we know it will be a hard battle, but our God is strong and mighty and we do not fear the foe for we are all of one accord and not one bit shaky.

We found about four people here who have stood the test for years through all the fire. Some have been beaten and persecuted in many ways but are holding on.

With the exception of dear old brother Spurling, we find none believe in the church, but we are telling them about it with all the boldness God gives us, and they drink it down.

Many are hungry for the experience, but as the devil had a bluff on the dear saints, they have not even held prayer meeting for years and years.

We may go away with scars of the battle on us but are here and here to stay until God says, "Go," then we leave.

Pray much for us while here that God will give us wisdom and power, for we know we must go softly before him, and let Him lead and direct.

My husband and myself are at last out into the great harvest field, after waiting five years since being called but all these years were spent in preparation, of study and prayer, so we do not think them entirely lost and we ask an interest in your prayers, that God will use us to His glory.

We are determined to go through holding up the standard, and leave results with Him.

Hallelujah, we feel the fire burning and the glory of heaven is in our souls. Isn't

it a wonderful privilege we are enjoying, dear saints?

Pray for Turtletown and us.

Your sister in Jesus, Mrs. B. F. Shepherd.

Crawford, Tenn.

To All the Dear Saints:

I am praising God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. I am praising God for light on the Church of God. I don't belong to the church but I want to be a member. I am glad I am serving a God that can keep us above sin. See Matt. 6-24. I praise God that He has given His children power to handle fire.

Brothers Sam Helton and Lee Stanly are preaching here. Three have received the Holy Ghost. I want all the saints to pray for my little girl. She is a cripple, has not been able to walk in her life.

Your brother looking for Jesus,

W. H. Stephens.

Church of God Assemblies for the State of Georgia.

For the convenience of all the churches, ministers and deacons in the state of Georgia we have decided to hold district conventions at the following times and places.

Toonigh August 9-13.
Augusta August 16- 20.
Jesup August 23-27.
Melrose August 30-September 3.

Crane Eater September 6-10.

All the churches in the state are earnestly requested to be represented in one or more of these conventions. I hope also to meet all the ministers and workers in the state at these meetings.

J. S. Llewellyn.

2t State overseer.

Tellico Plains, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

As the result of our last meeting in July there were twelve saved, several sanctified and two received the Holy Ghost. Praise God. We will begin our meeting here the second Sunday in September. We want you all to pray that souls may get through to God. If any one feels lead to come and help us you will find a welcome. Now is the time for a great work to be done in Tellico Plains.

The fields are white unto harvest. Pray much for the work.

We are building a new church and school house. Pray that God will supply all our needs.

Pray for me, W. M. Coleman.

Subscriptions for Assembly Building.

By order of the Assembly the names of those who pledged to pay into the building fund appear below. As the amounts are paid the names will be discontinued as a receipt for same.

While every precaution is taken to guard against mistakes, yet if any should occur we will take pleasure in making proper corrections.

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Parents, What Are You Doing for the Children?

Sam C. Perry.

If the religious experience which we have is so blessed and the only way to live acceptable with God, and in readiness for the coming Kingdom, why not bring up our children in this way?

It would appear that many think the ways of earth are all right for the young people, judging their conduct. No doubt some are doing what they think is right about the children, evidently few are hitting the right mark, for in general the children are not in the experience of saving grace.

We are commanded to "train up a child in the way it should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Are we doing this?

Young children do not know the way they should go. It is cruel to turn them loose in the wicked world. We cannot expect them to learn from the world the ways of truth and right, any more than we would expect the wolves to take care of the little lambs.

But it is the duty of the parents to reach the little feet the way of safety. We cannot excuse ourselves on the pretense that we don't know how, we can certainly do what we can, and if we have a willing mind God will most surely help us, as in all other service.

We should begin when the children are small, don't wait until they have grown up and control the house, but bring them under subjection in every thing, from babyhood.

Mother, you should control your child as to what it eats and wears and in every thing that makes its little life. It may take a little time, but it is time well spent, and you will never regret it in after years, but if you neglect your child you will regret it in after years.

Children should not be allowed to "tease" and beg and get almost every thing they can think of, this is a good way to spoil and lose control of your child to allow him to do this.

We should not be harsh or rough with the children, but while we are dealing with the tenderest love we should be so firm, that they would know we mean what we say and will not be "teased" into doing what we have refused to do.

The children should be taught to work, just as soon

as they are large enough, and the work should be made as pleasant as possible for them too, and as far as possible make them to take a delight in it; and feel responsible for it.

They should be taught to serve God also. They should be drilled over and over in lessons of truth and right relative to all the walks of life a religion of every day practice, but to teach them this, of course, means that you shall have to live it before them.

And in teaching them to serve God, make it as pleasant and attractive as possible. Endeavor to show them the bad results of sinful habits and a sinful life, show them the advantages of a good Christian life. Impressive incidents and illustrations will help to fix these things in their tender minds. A little incident or story will stay in a child's mind a long time. The story of Joseph, Samuel, David and Daniel are all good and interest the children.

Take special pains to teach them the importance of being saved and getting an experience where they shall feel God's presence, have Him answer prayer, protect them and direct their lives. And if we can once get them started in the Christian life, we can more easily lead them on to the fullness of salvation.

You should teach the children the effect of associations. You will find it a very difficult task to bring your child up for God if you allow them to associate with those who are worldly minded. You had better keep them to themselves, and not allow them to have company. Too much visiting with other children is bad in any case. It is best to keep your children to themselves as far as possible. They will learn the ways of the world soon enough, you need not be uneasy about that.

And be sure to teach the children how to behave in the public services. There is no place perhaps, where your child will show his home training more than in the public service. It is surprising how, at some places, parents allow their six or eight year old children to run in and out and all around the house while the minister is trying to give forth the word of life. It is no wonder that your influence does not tell

for God; if you are as careless of all other duties as that to your child. You should never have any trouble keeping your child quiet in church after he is two and a half or three years of ages. Make an effort dear parents with your children and you will see what you may be able to do. Do you suppose that your prayer and testimony are so effective as they should be when your boys and girls are sitting back with the worldly minded laughing and perhaps talking while you are up front worshipping God? Or did you ever know this to be the case? I believe that our children should sit in the seat with us, or so near that we can see that they behave while in church.

There is much we should like to say, but we give these thoughts as suggestions.

We would like to ask the parents to read the following passages: Gen. 18, 19, Deut. 4:9-10; 6:7; Josh. 24:15; Prov. 22:6; Eph. 6:4; 2 Tim. 3:15.

Transplanted.

William Hubert, little son of William Clarence and Mayme Williams Woodward of Munfordville, Ky. was transplanted in glory July 14th 1916. He was sick but ten days. Aged 2 years 5 months and 2 days.

The parents have our deep sympathy in this time of bereavement. They miss him so much, but there is consolation in knowing he has escaped the allurements and sin of the world and the victory is won already.

These dear ones have a precious treasure laid up in heaven to which they can go, though they cannot bring him back to them.

Bell Mills, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:

I praise God for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. I have been on the high way of holiness for over a year and a member of the dear old Church of God for a year. I am more determined to go on than ever before. Pray for me. Mrs. Wise.

Prayer Wanted

Special request for prayer is made for Mr. Hubert of Kentwood, La. He is sixty-five years old, contracted blood poison and unsaved. His daughter sends request for special prayer that he may be saved and healed. He believes in this way and has given freely of his means to support the Lord's cause. Pray for him.

The State Assembly

of the Churches of God in Virginia will convene at Poplar Camp, Va., Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 22 and 23.

PROGRAM

Tuesday

9 9:30 a.m. Prayer and praise service.—Curtis Hanks.

9:30-10:30. Address of Welcome.—F. J. Crowder.

Greetings. Appointment of committees.

10:30-11:30. Address by State Overseer—H. L. Trim.

11:30-12. Ordination Service.

12-1. Adjourned.

1-1:30. Prayer and Praise service.—R. M. Sexton.

1:30-2:30 p. m. When was the Church of God established and by whom? J. H. Frazier.

2:30-3:30. What is the Church of God and her Mission?—C. C. Frazier.

3:30-4:30 Church Government—John Burk.

4:30-5. Answering Questions —S. A. Roberts. Adjourned.

7:30 p. m. Evangelistic service.

Wednesday

9-9:30 a. m. Prayer and praise service—Percy King.

9:30-10. The great need of the Sunday school—Claude Vaught.

10-11. Are we measuring up to the Bible standard in love and unity?—F. J. Crowder.

11-12. The great need of Intercessory Prayer.—J. F. Holmes.

Adjourned.

1-1:30 p. m. Prayer and praise —M. A. Smythers.

1:30-2:30. How should we evangelize?—Rufus Frazier.

2:30-3:30. The need of Pastors.—Otis Hanks.

3:30-4:30. Tithes and offerings and how to dispose of them.—E. W. Simpson.

4:30-5. Reports of committees. unfinished business.

Adjourned.

7:30 p. m. Evangelistic service.

Would be glad if all the Churches of God in Virginia could be present. Come if possible.

Any desiring information or to be met at Ry. station, write F. J. Turner, Poplar Camp, Va.

The nearest Ry. station is Jackson Ferry.

The state tent meeting will begin August 19, at same place and continue after the assembly. Glad to have all who can to help us.

Let us expect great things of God.

H. L. Trim. State Overseer, Va.

Shorts' Creek, Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints—Greeting in Jesus' Name:

I praise Jesus for saving me from sin, sanctifying me and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost, with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

I praise Him for the Church of God which has been set in order here. We have fifty-four members. We have some good meetings here. The Lord wonderfully blesses.

I had the pleasure of meeting the dear saints at Cripple Creek last Sunday. Three followed our Savior in water baptism. Brother C. C. Frazier baptized them, then we returned here and partook of the Lord's supper and washed the saints' feet. Brother Burk preached a wonderful sermon on following Jesus. He proved to the people that we are of God because we keep His commandments. God wonderfully blessed in all the services. Pray for me.

Your brother in Christ, P. L. Frazier.

Report from Hickory Point, Tennessee.

We closed the meeting with victory. Twenty or more saved, a good number sanctified and twelve received the blessed Holy Ghost for we heard them speak with tongues. We set the church in order with twenty-five members. Baptized thirteen in water and more to follow. I never saw a country so broken up. A Methodist steward got saved and sanctified and is seeking for the Holy Ghost. One man said he would give the ground to build on and help build the house.

No telling what would have been done if the storm had not put our tent out of business.

Geo. T. Brouayer.

Note—This tent was purchased by Perry Kimlin of Spring Place, Ga. and he was giving his whole time to the work in caring for the tent. The storm ruined it entirely. He is now out and hasn't money enough to get another. Let us join in prayer that God will open up a way and help brother Kimlin to get another. He is a whole soul man and is willing to put his last cent into the work, but he hasn't enough to buy all himself like he did this one.

Talk to the Lord about it. —Editor.

Danville, Ill.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—
Greetings in Jesus' Name:
I am so glad that Jesus found me about two weeks ago. He has washed away all my sins and comforts me every day. He has answered my papers and helped me so much, in every way that I can't praise Him enough.

I was a very sinful woman and sister Cora A. Nelson moved next door to me. She talked to me and gave me prayers to read but I only made fun of her but by living so close to her and watching her pure life I began to think that the Lord surely did mean something to her. I talked to her nearly every day and saw how patient and loving she was and I had a longing to go over to her house very often and finally I asked her what to do to get right with Jesus. She told me to kneel down and confess all my sins and ask God to forgive me which, thanks be to God, I did.

I could see the devil in every corner and by every door. I was afraid and asked sister Cora to come over Saturday evening to stay with me. She came and we talked and prayed and she asked God to cast the devil out of our house and immediately our bull dog began to bark and I went out side but saw nothing for him to bark at so I know he saw the devil as he went out of our house. I have never seen him since and have had God's blessing ever since.

My husband drives a beer wagon and he has persecuted me terribly but God is always near and helps me every time.

I want you all to pray for my husband. He promised me last night if he could get a job that paid as well or even two dollars less he would quit the beer wagon and drive a wagon for God. I have prayed and I want you to help me pray that he may find another job and give his heart to God and live a true Christian. He has a great influence with men for the devil, so I know he would have a greater power over men for God, so remember us in your prayers. God says that whatsoever we ask in His name we shall receive. Praise His holy name. He has kept His promises to me and I know He will do this also.

I am seeking to be sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. I want to be a shining light for Jesus.

Yours in God,
Sadie E. Harrington.

412 N. Collett st.

Woodstock, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:
When first I heard of the highway of holiness I had a notion that there was something to it, from the fact that I could plainly see there was something lacking in other churches. I was looking for something but I didn't know what. At the first opportunity, I went to hear this gospel preached. As I heard the sweet testimonies of the saints, I took knowledge that they had been with Jesus.

I began to want this blessing and the devil would tell me, "Now this is something new you had better be careful." I did not want to be deceived so I would pray to the Lord for more light. I had much praying and fasting to do before I got complete victory over this. I soon counted the cost and saw that it meant much to go this way. I saw that I was not able of myself to make it.

I said "Lord make me able." I had to give up my wordly occupation, my father, my mother, brothers, sisters and all. I earnestly sought this blessing for three years.

The dear Lord sanctified me when I was baptized in water the first Sunday in November 1914, and the blessed Holy Ghost took up His abode May 10th 1915, I will never forget these dates.

I have had many trials and afflictions to undergo but the Lord has stood by me all the way. In the thickest I could feel the strength and presence of Him who never fails.

I praise God for His healing power. It is truly wonderful how He can heal us. I feel encouraged to press on, ever looking unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our faith. Praise His name! Let us all take new courage for the time may be shorter than many of us think.

Please pray for me that I may ever do His precious will. May the richest blessing of God rest upon the editor and his co-workers and may the paper be placed into new homes. It is a great comfort to me.

With Christian love,
Rachel Wheeler.

Is the Bible Inspired?

To the Young People of the Pentecostal Family: Greetings
All over our land the young people are beset with temptations as never before in our history.

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Hoping that our young people may begin to make a deeper study of God's Word, I am their friend.

Margaret R. Pake.

Fitzgerald, Ga.

Dear Saints of God:

I praise God for His wonderful love and for a full and free salvation. I am happy with Jesus and I have my hopes on things eternal. I find each day brings me closer to God. I could not think of going back for there is nothing to go back to. My burden was heavy and my sins were great and I unloaded them and I have victory in my soul. I am going on by the help of God, until I find myself walking in at the pearly gates and hear the blessed Savior say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

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Pray for me that I may live humble at Jesus feet.

Your sister in Christ,

Mrs. L.M. Herendon.

P. S. I would like to hear from brother and sister Elrod.

Pleasant Hill, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to make a request through the dear little paper. I have something wrong with my lungs until at times I can't sing can scarcely talk and I want to ask the saints to pray a special prayer for my healing.

I am a member of the dear old Church of God at this place. Pray that we may hold on to God and stand on His Word.

Your sister in Christ,
Rowena Brown.

Bessemer City, Mich.

Greetings in Jesus name.

I am glad because I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and determined to go all the way. I'm glad that we came to this country because the people had never heard this gospel. I want some preacher to come here.

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